

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT APPLICATION

Inventor(s): Yamamura et al.

Appl. No.: 09 522,020

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Hon. Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Group Art Unit 1731

Examiner: James H. Derrington

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Client Ref

Appl. Title: Glass Rod Manufacturing Method and
Glass Rod Manufacturing Apparatus

Sir:

REPLY/AMENDMENT/LETTER

Date: March 20, 2002

This is a reply/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes the herewith attachment of same date and subject which is incorporated herewith by reference and the signature below is treated as the signature to the attachment in absence of a signature thereto.

FEE REQUIREMENTS FOR CLAIMS AS AMENDED

1. Small Entity claim	Claims remaining after amendment	Highest number previously paid for	Present Extra	Large/Small Entity	Additional Fee	Fee Code Lg/Sm
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For B & C See Required Separate Paper (Pat-256)						
2. Total Effective Claims	10	**minus 20	0	x \$18/\$9 =	+ \$0	103/203
3. Independent Claims	1	***minus 3	0	x \$84/\$42 =	+ \$0	102/202
4. If amendment enters proper multiple dependent claim(s) into this application for first time (leave blank if this is a reissue application) add				+ \$280/\$140 =	+ \$0	104/204
5. Original due Date: March 20, 2002 <input type="checkbox"/> NONE						
6. Petition is hereby made to extend the original due date to cover the date this response is filed for which the requisite fee is attached (1 mo) (2 mos) (3 mos) (Usable only for ≤ 2mo.OA --- 4 mos) (Usable only for 30 day/1mo.OA --- 5 mos)			\$110/\$55 = \$400/\$200 = \$920/\$460 = \$1,440/\$720 = \$1,960/\$980 =	+ \$0		115/215 116/216 117/217 118/218 128/228
7. Enter any previous extension fee paid since above original due date and subtract				- \$0		
8. Extension Fee Attached				+ \$0		
9. If Terminal Disclaimer attached, add Rule 20(d) official fee				+ \$110/\$55	+ \$0	148/248
10. If IDS attached requires Official Fee under Rule 97 (c), add				+ \$180	+ \$0	126
or if Rule 97(d) Request add				+ \$180		126
11. After-Final Request Fee per rules 129(a) and 17(r)				+ \$740/370	+ \$0	146/246
12. No. of additional inventions for examination per Rule 129(b)				x \$740/370 ea	+ \$0	149/249
13. Request for Continued Examination (RCE)				+ \$740/370	+ \$0	1179/1279
14. Petition fee for					+ \$0	
15. TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED =					\$0	

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This CHARGE STATEMENT **does not authorize** charge of the **issue fee** until/unless an issue fee transmittal sheet is filed.

Query: Is appeal deadline now? If so, file Notice of Appeals separately.

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For: GLASS ROD MANUFACTURING
METHOD AND GLASS ROD
MANUFACTURING APPARATUS

March 20, 2002

AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of
Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 20, 2001, the applicants respectfully request reconsideration in view of the following amendments and remarks.

In The Claims

Please cancel claims 11-13.

Please amend claim 1 as shown in the appendix. After the amendments claim 1 will read as follows:

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1. (Amended) A method for manufacturing a glass rod, which is a parent material of an optical fiber, comprising:

adjusting an axis of an apparatus for elongating a base material, which is a parent material of said glass rod, by adjusting a vertical inclination of a standard